

## **Pediatric Oncology**

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### Childhood Cancer Facts - USA

- > 12,400 children and adolescents are diagnosed with cancer per year
- One of every 500 young adults is a childhood cancer survivor
  - Nearly 2/3 of the survivors later experience significant and chronic medical problems or develop secondary cancers
- The causes of most pediatric cancers remain a mystery and cannot be prevented
- Leading cause of death by disease in children and adolescents
- 100% socioeconomic and psychosocial impact on the family



# Mission: Pediatric Oncology at UNM Health Science Center

To Decrease the Burden of Childhood Cancer in Children and Families of New Mexico through Clinical Service, Research and Education.





## Clinical Services – Pediatric Hematology/Oncology

- The Only Tertiary Care Provider of Oncology Services for Infants,
   Children and Adolescents in New Mexico
- Multidisciplinary Team Approach in the Comprehensive Care of Patients (7 physicians, 2 practitioners, 9 nurses, 3 social workers, 2 pharmacists)
- Comprehensive Children's Hospital Environment
- UNM Cancer Center Services: Radiation Therapy, Orthopedic Oncology, Gynecologic Oncology
- Collaboration with UNM Cancer Center: Care of Young Adults



# Clinical Services – Pediatric Hematology/Oncology

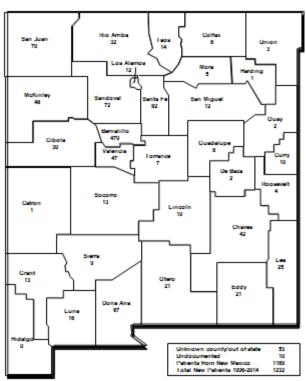
- Comprehensive Treatment Planning and Care
  - Weekly Patient Care Meetings
  - Biweekly Tumor Board Reviews
  - Weekly Radiology Conferences
  - Psychosocial Rounds
- Comprehensive Clinics/Programs
  - Post Bone Marrow Transplant Follow-up Clinic
  - Young Enduring Survivors (YES) Clinic
  - Vascular- Lymphatic Malformation program
  - Mariposa



### **Pediatric Oncology**

- Referrals received from all parts of the state
- 175 referrals from 2010–2015
- Over 300 Active Patients and 4500 clinic and Inpatient visits in last fiscal year

#### Pediatric Cancer Cumulative Newly Diagnosed Patients by County 1996-2014





## Research – Pediatric Hematology/Oncology

- Nationally-Recognized Investigators
  - Dr. Boayue (PI COG-UNM); Dr. Heideman (Brain Tumors); Dr. Kuttesch (Brain Tumors, Chair, DSMC-Experimental Therapies; Dr. Winter (Leukemia Research)
- Children's Oncology Group UNM
  - Over 90% of eligible patients enrolled on National Cancer Institute approved therapeutic trials
  - Sixty-Five Open Research Studies (Therapy, Epidemiology, Biology, Registry)
  - Cancer Control Research Studies: Medication Adherence, Osteonecrosis, Kidney Function
  - Data Compliance: 100%
- Sponsored Research UNM
  - Clinical Projects: 7
  - Laboratory-Based Projects: 3



## Clinical Trials - Pediatric Oncology

A comprehensive clinical trials team meets weekly to discuss enrollments and study issues. The current open study portfolio includes:

- 10 Biology Studies
- 40 Therapeutic Trials
- 15 Cancer Control, Epidemiology, Late Effects and Pharmacologic PK/PD Studies

## Community Outreach and Survivor Programs, Methods to Enhance Clinical Trial Recruitments

- Adolescents and Young Adults
  - YES Clinic
- Camps for Children/Survivors
  - Camp Enchantment
  - Sibling Retreat
- Hospice Programs
  - Mariposa
- Off-site Teaching / Physician Outreach Programs
  - Community Education
  - Hospital Outreach
  - School Outreach





# Education & Outreach – Pediatric Hematology/Oncology

- Medical Student/Resident Education
  - Clinical Rotations: 16 residents
  - Medical Student Lectures: 130
  - Tumor Boards, Radiology Rounds, Patient Care Conferences
  - Medical Student Teaching
  - Consistently Outstanding Teaching Scores
- Professional Presentations
- Community Outreach



# Young Enduring Survivors Clinic (YES)

- Provides Multi-Disciplinary Follow-up for > 600
   Survivors of Pediatric Malignancies
  - Programs
    - Multi-disciplinary clinic for patients at least 2 years off therapy and cancer-free. Health assessment and screening. Risk assessment.
    - School Re-entry Program
    - Tobacco Use Screening and Cessation Program: Funded through a community grant
    - Young Adult Transition Program as patients become adults
    - Outreach: Education



# UNM Mariposa Program Pediatric Hospice

"The dying child deserves always to be treated first as a child, and secondarily as a dying person."

- Kathleen W. Faulkner, Hospice Care for Children

- Mariposa is a team of highly-trained professionals offering the only Pediatric Palliative care and Hospice resource in New Mexico
- Mariposa offers comprehensive, compassionate care for infants, children and adolescents with life limiting conditions....not just cancer!
- Mariposa emphasizes quality of life rather than length of life
- Serves not only the child, but supports the entire family, including parents and siblings



## Pediatric Oncology Summary

### Clinical Service

- Pediatric Specialists/ Pediatric-focused
- Medium + -sized program: Care of infants, children, adolescents (Young Adults)
- Continuum of care: Diagnosis to Survivorship
- Multidisciplinary care combining resources of a Comprehensive Children's Hospital and a Comprehensive Cancer Center
- Mariposa

### Research

- Clinical Research: outstanding recruitment and conduct of clinical trials
- National leadership in clinical research /nationally recognized investigators
- Laboratory research: T-cell malignancies
- Mentoring of residents and medical students

### Education

- Mentoring and Teaching: Residency and Medical Student
- Consultation and co-ordination of care

### Program Development

- Adolescent and Young Adult Program: (leukemia, lymphoma, sarcoma & gynecologic Ca)
- Vascular-Lymphatic Malformations Program



## Pediatric Hematology/Oncology

### FY 2015 Budget

REVENUES:	\$	%
Tobacco Settlement Fund Allocation	261,400	7.3
General Fund	1,303,500	36.4
Clinical	673,254	18.8
Contracts and Grants	675,442	18.9
Internal Transfers & Allocations	567,955	15.8
Other Revenue	101,466	2.8
Total Revenue	\$3,583,017	
EXPENSES		
Total Compensation	2,813,703	78.5
Total Operating Expense Other	768,506	21.5
Total Expenses	\$3,582,208	

- Supports our mission to deliver outstanding care to the Children of New Mexico
  - Nursing specialists, education, Social Work
- Supports access to the best therapies available in the world to improve outcomes
- Supports survivorship, education and outreach
- To give the best care to the Children of New Mexico





## Questions?